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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:  
Stacey M. Gage

Application No.: 10/678,718

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For: DESIGN AND EXECUTION OF A TARGET  
SYSTEM THAT INCLUDES A COMPONENT  
MODEL

Examiner: J. C. Ochoa

### **AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

### **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the final Office Action dated July 31, 2008 (Paper No. 20080724), and further in Response to the Advisory Action dated October 24, 2008 (Paper No. 20081020), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as indicated below. A Request for Continued Examination is submitted herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the claim listing that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 15 of this paper.